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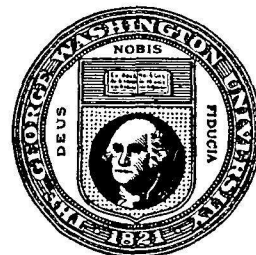
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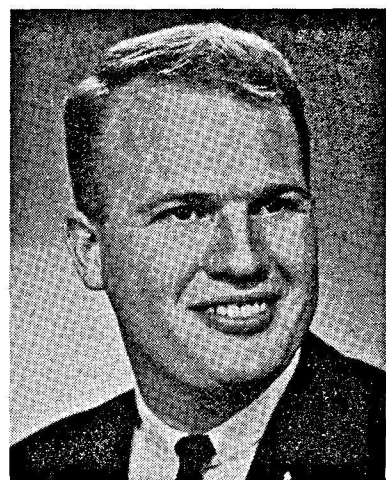


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Candidates Announce For SBA Presidency



Richard Gimer

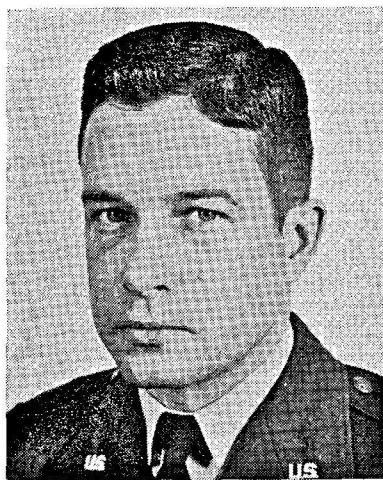
Richard Gimer has announced his candidacy for the 1964-65 President of the Student Bar Association. Gimer, 24 years old and a second-year night-student, has a vast portfolio of leadership-gear experience behind him.

He is presently night representative on the SBA Board of Governors, and was chairman of the 1963 Fall Orientation program. Gimer introduced orientation talks by GWU faculty members. Profs. Hogan and Sullivan spoke to the beginning students as part of a program at the National Lawyers Club.

He has also served as chairman of the membership committee of Delta Theta Phi Law Fraternity and guided the fraternity to its most successful rushing program in years.

Gimer graduated from Iowa State University in 1962 with a major in Government. While at Iowa State, he served in numerous leadership capacities including student body president and representative to the student senate. Mr. Gimer was selected to Gamma Gamma Greek Service honorary and Cordinal Key, for outstanding leadership, scholarship, character, and service.

Mr. Gimer is married and recently became the father of a baby girl. He is employed as a contact administrator for Atlantic Research Corporation.



Richard Hudgins

Richard S. Hudgins has announced his candidacy for the Presidency of the Student Bar Association for 1964-65. Mr. Hudgins, 31 years old and a second-year day student, is a native of the Washington area and has an outstanding scholastic and military background.

He was born in McClean, Virginia, and attended Western High School in Washington. On the basis of his record of scholastic and leadership achievements at Western High, Mr. Hudgins was awarded the Almos Kendall Scholarship by George Washington University.

He graduated from GWU in 1955 majoring in Economics; while at GWU Mr. Hudgins was President of the Freshman Class, President of Sigma Alpha Epsilon social fraternity, and Commander of the Air Force ROTC unit.

After graduation from GWU, he entered the U. S. Air Force and trained as a fighter pilot until June, 1957, when he was assigned to a Tactical Squadron in England. Mr. Hudgins' stay in the Air Force was extended until September, 1962, due to the Berlin crisis; at this time he started law school at GWU.

Mr. Hudgins is a member of Phi Delta Phi Legal Fraternity. He served as a very efficient SBA book exchange treasurer and is on the SBA Board of Governors. He is married and the father of a daughter.

GWU Student Seeks ALSA 11th Circuit Vice Presidential Post

With a slight tendency toward a Scandinavian accent, the GWU candidate for ALSA National Vice President, Eleventh Circuit, Eric Youngquist recently stated, "If successful, I will strive to help ALSA inculcate in future lawyers a dedication to service and social progress. It is primarily this dedication which will enable the legal profession to retain its traditional role of leadership in the United States."

Youngquist, possessor of varied talents, is pursuing his legal education in GWU Law School's evening division, while serving as an active member of the U.S. Foreign Service. His current assignment is that of Officer-in-

Charge, Danish/Norwegian Affairs, Department of State.

In addition to his current Foreign Service responsibilities and law school studies, Youngquist finds time to be an active

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ALSA Conference Opens Today At Six; Two Panels on the Program

by Tony Pell

On Thursday, Mar. 19 through Saturday, Mar. 21, representatives of the Third, Fourth, and Eleventh Circuits of the American Law Students Association will meet at the Statler-Hilton Hotel in Washington, D. C. for the 1964 Joint Circuit Conference.

The law schools represented will include all ALSA affiliated law schools within the states on the eastern seaboard from New Jersey through South Carolina. These law schools range in size from the two Goliaths of the Eleventh Circuit, George Washington University and Georgetown University, both of which boast student bodies of over 1,000, to South Carolina State College, which has only twelve students.

The Conference is hosted by members of the Eleventh Circuit, which includes the Student Bar Associations at American University, Catholic University, George Washington University, Georgetown University, and Howard University. John Stohlton and Eric Youngquist are the GWU representatives on the host committee, which is chaired by Benjamin D. Brown of Howard University.

The program will include two panel discussions. The discussion on federal rights vs. states rights will feature Congressmen Charles L. Wiler (Georgia) and Sam Gibbons (Florida); Mrs. Patricia R. Harris, assistant professor of law at Howard University and co-chairman of the late President Kennedy's Committee on Women's Activities; and William Taylor, General Counselor for the U. S. Committee on Civil Rights.

The members of the second panel, who will discuss civil trial techniques in personal injury cases, will include Dr. Paul Cantor, specialist in medical jurisprudence and Joseph Bulman, specialist in negligence cases.

Graduates' Cocktail Party

February Law School graduates and prospective June graduates are invited to a cocktail party as guests of The George Washington Law Assn. It will be held at the Roger Smith Hotel on Saturday, Apr. 18 from 4-6 p.m. There is no charge to the guests.

Support Your SBA

Spring Vacation Dates

The week of Mar. 23 marks this year's Spring vacation. Last classes will be on Friday, Mar. 20 (21 for Trial Practice Court) and classes resume for all students on Monday, Mar. 30.

Schedule of ALSA Activities

THURSDAY, MARCH 19

6:00 p.m. ----- Registration (2nd floor)
9:00 p.m. ----- Informal Mixer

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

9:00 a.m. ----- Coffee (late registration)
10:00 a.m. ----- Official Opening, New York Room
10:45 a.m.-12:00 noon ----- S.B.A. Seminar, New York Room
2:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m. ----- Discussion: "Civil Trial Techniques—Personal Injury Cases"; film to be shown on the Medico-Legal problems. Federal Room
3:45 p.m.-5:00 p.m. ----- Circuit Business Meetings
3rd circuit, Federal Room
4th circuit, Continental Room
11th circuit, New York Room
8:30 p.m. ----- Cocktail Hour—Lawyers Club, Federal Bar Building

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

9:00 a.m. ----- Coffee
10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon ----- Discussion: "Federal Rights vs. State Rights" (with attention to current civil rights legislation) South American Room
12:30 p.m. ----- Luncheon—South American Room
2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. ----- Circuit Business Meetings
3rd circuit, S. American Room
4th circuit, Ohio Room
11th circuit, California Room
3:45 p.m.-5:00 p.m. ----- State Department Briefing Session, South American Room
9:00p.m.-1:00 a.m. ----- Barrister Ball, Congressional Room

ALSA History Traced, Objectives Specified

by Jerry Voight

An important development in the field of law occurred in September of 1949 at St. Louis, Mo., when the American Law Students Association (ALSA) was formed. The American Bar Association created the organization to facilitate its law students program.

The general purpose of the Association is to improve the professional preparation of law students. The ALSA Constitution specifically states the objectives of the Association to be:

- To introduce students to the professional problems and responsibilities they face after admission to the practice of law
- To coordinate student projects and ideas
- To promote the idea of professional responsibility.

ALSA attains these objectives by issuing special reports concerning all phases of the legal profession under the individual membership program and through publication of the *Student Lawyer Journal* (designed to provide practical information to the nation's law students). It also conducts regional and national meetings to provide an opportunity for exchanging information about programs and problems.

Member schools are divided into twelve geographical areas called Circuits, each administered by a National Vice President. The

twelve national vice presidents together with the Executive Committee constitute the membership of the ALSA Board of Governors. The ALSA President also serves as Chairman of the Board. The other officers comprising the Executive Committee are the Executive Vice President, the Second Vice President, the Secretary, and the Treasurer.

Eugene A. Bambic of the University of San Diego School of Law is the ALSA Executive President for 1963-64. Benjamin D. Brown of Howard University School of Law is the Eleventh Circuit National Vice President, representing the Washington, D.C., area law schools in national ALSA affairs.

The acceptance and success of ALSA as a dynamic force in the legal profession is indicated by its phenomenal growth. From an initial membership of 46 affiliated associations, ALSA has grown to include nearly every approved law

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Advice . . . On Advice

Starting law school is like getting married; everyone has some advice on how to make a go of it. No matter how good the advice is though, there is nothing that will replace trying things out for yourself. Before the first week has ended in hopeless confusion a first-year law student will have fifty different study techniques, even if he talks to no one, walks in the shadows, and wears a disguise.

The adviser who has the last word on how to stay in law school will start by saying "the most important thing to remember" or "the only thing to do is" and then go on to say, "brief every case," never touched a canned brief case or outline," and on and on, ad nauseam.

Throughout this maze of advice, one does not have to be overly bright to catch one little thread of consistency; it's a four-letter word that wears you out, "work." Surprisingly enough, even though one must do his own work it's quite enjoyable to most, and I venture a guess to all that come back for the second round. The advice on advice offered here spells work; listen up, for that's the last word on how to stay in law school. Additional advice may be obtained from other first-year students.

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Speakers Spark Active SPLA Spring Schedule

The Student Patent Law Association program for the Spring Semester was successfully opened with a luncheon meeting at the Occidental on Feb. 20. Joseph Schimmel, Deputy Solicitor of the Patent Office, delivered the main address. In a preliminary ceremony, P. J. Frederico of the Board of Appeals of the Patent Office presented awards to the finalists in the Patent Competition of the Van Vleck Case Club.

Mr. Schimmel spoke on a recent case decided by the Court of Customs and Patent Appeals. The decision, in effect, reversed a decision of the District Court in the same case. Several interesting problems were discussed, including res judicata and an applicant choosing the law that best suits his case.

On Mar. 18, Representative Edwin E. Willis (D-La.) spoke at the second SPLA Spring luncheon meeting. Rep. Willis discussed current patent legislation, including the controversial fee bill he

authored, which is now pending in the Senate.

The April meeting of the Association, to be announced at a later date, will include elections for the 1964-65 academic year and voting on the constitutional change involved in association with the American Patent Law Association. A speaker on the economic aspects of patent practice will also be included on the agenda.

GWU patent law students are

Early Grade Card Practice Abused; May Be Modified

GWU Law students are abusing the postcard-early grade procedure. Dean Potts and Mrs. Billisoly report that they were deluged by phone calls and personal requests from law students asking for grades, or inquiring if the grades from a certain professor for a certain course had been turned in.

Some requests were made by students who had never turned in postcards, but nevertheless insisted that they had, implying that the administration office itself had lost the post card.

Other student requests were for friends and classmates, in disregard of the confidential nature of student grades.

Dean Potts warns that future gross abuse of the early grade procedure may lead to an end of the privilege. Only the University registrar can issue "official" grades. The postcard-early grade procedure received University approval only after lengthy lobbying of university officials by Dean Potts and others.

The postcards are available to students two weeks before exams, during the two weeks of exams, and two weeks after exams.

In the future, records will be kept of all students who turn in postcards as a check on the "lost" postcard claims.

Teaching Fellows Lead Active and Varied Existence

by Morton Kimmel

The three Law School teaching fellows, Herbert Lazerow, Burton Raimi, and Theodore Lynn are at GWU to gain teaching and research experience, and to obtain graduate law degrees. Mr. Lazerow received his L.L.B. from Harvard, Mr. Raimi received his J.D. from the University of Michigan, and Mr. Lynn received his L.L.B. from Harvard and his L.L.M. from New York University.

The functions of the teaching fellows are many and varied. They substitute for sick faculty members and assist the faculty in the first-semester Legal Method course, instructing students in the bibliographic aspects of legal method and in brief writing. The latter instruction is an innovation tried for the first time during the current academic year.

To fulfill the one-year tenure requirement necessary for their degrees, the teaching fellows take advanced courses in the Law School. They each must also write a thesis. Mr. Lazerow's thesis is entitled "Income Tax Treatment of Student and Educators," while Mr. Raimi's thesis on "Secondary Boycott, embraces Labor Relations law.

reminded of the annual Nathan Burkan Memorial Competition. Awards of \$250 and \$100 will be presented for the two best papers written on a subject in the copyright field.

Early Grade Problem About Same All Over

A frequent complaint among GWU Law School students is that certain faculty members are slow in reporting grades for their particular courses at the end of the semester. The usual defense to this complaint is that it is necessary for the professors to thoroughly read, study, and reflect on the student's answers to give them full justice. However, there seems to be a wide variance in the time spent by various professors in grading their exams. Some GWU professors report grades within two weeks; others take as long as ten weeks.

Recently questionnaires were sent to law schools of the Big Ten and Ivy League. The results of the responses received from the schools follow:

UNIVERSITY	GRADES	
	UNOFFICIAL	OFFICIAL
<i>Big Ten Schools</i>		
Illinois	4 to 5 days	1 to 2 weeks
Indiana	None	4 to 5 days
Iowa	None	4 to 5 weeks
Michigan	3 to 4 weeks	1½ to 2 months
Michigan State	No reply	
Minnesota	None	4 to 6 weeks
Northwestern	1 month	Transcript in Summer
Ohio State	Within 3 weeks	3 to 4 weeks
Wisconsin	More than 2 wks.	3 to 4 wks.
<i>Ivy League Schools</i>		
Brown	No reply	
Cornell	None	1½ months
Columbia	1 to 1½ months	In August for entire year
Harvard	One month after spring term	
Princeton, U. of P., Yale	No reply	

The SBA president at the University of Illinois noted that prompt grading at his school is truly appreciated by the students. He commented that, "Our professors feel honor and duty bound to work like 'dogs' to complete the exam grading as soon as possible. They are aware of how strongly the students feel about this."

Two Students Win Copyright Competition

Ancel W. Lewis, Jr., was recently awarded first prize in the Nathan Burkan Memorial Competition for 1963 at the GWU Law School; second prize went to Stan C. Kaimer. The competition, sponsored annually by the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers in memory of the Society's first general counsel, is designed to stimulate interest in the field of copyright law.

First and second prizes of \$250 and \$100 are offered in each of the leading law schools throughout the nation; the individual school competitions are supervised by the administration, in GWU's case: Dean Robert Kramer.

Both Lewis' paper, entitled "The Defense of Misuse in Copyright Actions," and Kaimer's on "Copyrights and the Common Market," will be presented to the panel of distinguished judges who will select the outstanding essays from those submitted by each of the participating law schools. National awards of first (\$1000), second (\$500), and third (\$250) prizes will be presented the authors of the best papers.

Lewis, a former GWU law student, is completing his legal education at the Denver University School of Law, while working for a law firm in that city. He received his B.S. in Electrical Engineering from the South Dakota School of Mines.

(YOUNGQUIST—continued) member of the John Jay Chapter of Phi Alpha Delta Legal Fraternity.

In commenting on the fact that being an ALSA National Vice President would mean that he would have even less time to spend with his wife and five children, Youngquist said the sacrifice would be worthwhile "if by so doing, I can contribute to the vital role ALSA has to play in preparing students for entry into the legal profession, by providing a forum for professional discussion of the problems and challenges of the many different careers open to lawyers today."

And lest anyone question the seriousness of his candidacy, Youngquist noted that he had been intramural boxing champion at Michigan in 1950 and had won the junior heavyweight championship of Oslo during his Norwegian sojourn.

Law School All-Stars Skin Redskins, 68-62

The GWU Law School All-Stars, led by Jon Feldman's 22 points, defeated the Washington Redskins by a score of 68 to 62 at Northwood High School. Down by four points at half time, the "legal beagles" spurted to a 15 point advantage mainly on the deadly accuracy of Feldman, Sam Feder, and Ben Andrews. Andrews and Feder contributed 10 and 12 points, respectively.

Kaiman, a Patent Examiner at the U.S. Patent Office, received his B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Nebraska in 1961.

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Local Legal Procedures Are Stressed on Bar Exams

by Jim McMann

Bar exams are the law student's equivalent of the med student's boards or the graduate student's comprehensives. The successful completion of law school does not, unfortunately, guarantee the aspiring lawyer admission to the ranks of active advocacy practitioners; failure to pass a bar exam in the location in which he wishes to practice may bar the law school graduate from legal activity there.

Among the many questions concerning admission to the bar, the following are particularly haunting to the law student: Is the school he is attending preparing him for passing the bar exam? What regulations exist concerning admission to the bar? What type of exam can one expect? Should one take a bar review course and, if so, what kind?

Allied to the first question is that of how closely correlated are the content of the exam and the school's curriculum. The answers to these questions, of course, depend on the philosophy of the individual school and the external pressures, both professional and legislative, placed on the school.

Whether the law school should concentrate on preparing its graduates for successful completion of the state's admission requirements or should be able to develop its curriculum independently is a question that has greatly concerned many "state" law schools, particularly those in Pennsylvania and California.

George Washington University, as a national law school, has been spared these problems. There is no liaison between GWU and the examiners in area states or the District of Columbia. The school has stressed the education of its students rather than "cramming" for bar exams. However, this places an added responsibility on the national law school student to gain a more thorough understanding of the law in his state, particularly its procedural aspects, on his own. It also makes it almost mandatory that such a student pursue some type of bar review course.

The majority of students interviewed felt that GWU had adequately prepared them to take the bar in their jurisdictions. The only complaint encountered pertained to professors who, when faced with a choice of either lightly covering all areas of a subject or comprehensively covering a limited number of areas, chose the latter course. It was felt that this practice was a hindrance in reviewing for an exam in these subjects.

Although the rules concerning admission to the Bar in the anticipated practice location merit attention by all law students, they are of particular interest to those students intending to take bar examinations in one of the eight states, including Maryland, that require an applicant to either register as a law student or file an application within the first semester of law school. The general requirements of each of the fifty states and a listing of reference and bibliographic suggestions are contained in a pamphlet published by the West Publishing Co. entitled "Rules for Admission to the Bar." The requirements for admission to the Bars of this area vary.

Examinations are given in July and February in the District of Columbia. A registration fee of \$35 must accompany the application. The applicant must be a citizen of the United States; however, there is no residence requirement. Application is made in writing addressed to the court in

Lower Number of 'Ivy' Grads Pass N. Y. Bar Exam

Ivy League law school officials have recently expressed concern over their students' rates of passing the New York State bar examination. Seventy-three percent of the Harvard Law School graduates who took the New York bar exam in 1963 passed it, reportedly a decrease of several percentage points in their passing rate. The passing rates of Columbia and Yale were slightly behind Harvard's.

Meanwhile, other law schools improved their own past records. Seventy-nine percent of the New York University and seventy-three percent of the Fordham law graduates taking the bar passed. About 3,500 applicants take the New York bar exam each year, approximately two-thirds of whom pass it on the first attempt. Ivy League schools see themselves as national law schools, as does GWU. They teach the law in broad courses, often placing considerable emphasis on its analytical use. They do not offer courses in specific areas of the domestic law nor do they aim their teaching at any future bar exams.

executive session. Blanks and additional information may be obtained from the Secretary, Room 6409, United States Court House, Washington 1, D. C. The deadline for filing applications is approximately one month in advance of the examination dates.

Any bona fide resident of Maryland desiring to study law for the purpose of admission to the Maryland Bar must file application for registration as a law student with the Secretary of the State Board of Examiners at the initiation of his law school studies. A registration fee of \$25 and a filing fee of \$15, the latter to defray the costs of a character investigation, must accompany the application. Shortly before the date of the bar exam, the applicant must file a petition from the President or Dean of his law school certifying that the applicant has pursued a course of study of three years. A filing fee of \$25 must accompany this petition. Maryland bar exams are given in March and July.

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Faculty Notes

Miss Elyce Zenoff, lecturer in the Graduate School of Public Law and Principal Attorney for the Mental Competency Study, has written the first article to be based on research findings of the study. The article, entitled "Civil Incompetency in the District of Columbia," appeared in the December, 1963 issue of the *GWU Law Review*.

Prof. Richard C. Allen, who is Co-director of the Mental Competency Study, reviewed "In Search of Criminology" by Leon Radzinowicz for the March issue of the *Vanderbilt Law Review*. He has also written an article entitled "The Dynamics of Interpersonal Communication and the Law," which will be published in the June issue of the *Washburn Law Journal*.

D. C. COURT SCHEDULE

Courts and Their Location Days of Open Session

Municipal Courts

District of Columbia Court of General Sessions	
Civil Division	Monday through Friday (Beginning at 10:00 a.m.)
4th St. between E & F Sts., N.W.	
Criminal Division	Monday through Saturday (Beginning at 10:00 a.m.)
5th St. between E & F Sts., N.W.	
Dist. of Columbia Court of Appeals	Monday through Friday (Beginning at 10:00 a.m.)
400 F St., N.W.	

Federal Courts

United States District Court for the District of Columbia	Monday through Friday (Beginning at 10:00 a.m.)
Constitution Ave & John Marshall Place, N.W.	
United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia	Monday through Friday (Beginning at 10:00 a.m.)
Constitution Ave & John Marshall Place, N.W.	
Supreme Court of the United States	Monday through Thursday (Beginning at 10:00 a.m.)
1 First St., N.E.	

SBA Briefcase

by John Stohlton, President, Student Bar Association

With the coming of Spring it will once again be time for Student Bar Association elections. Your *Amicus Curiae* Editor has asked me to briefly explain the role of the student bar association in the Law School.

The Student Bar Association, if it has any purpose for existence, must serve the interest of the law student. However, the question naturally arises as to what are the interests of the law student. I believe that a fundamental distinction must be made between the SBA and undergraduate student governments. For the most part, undergraduate organizations are socially orientated. Law school, being a graduate discipline, places a far heavier time burden upon the student. Therefore, the activities of the Student Bar must be orientated, in my opinion, towards developing skills that will be of professional value.

With this goal in mind, the SBA has budgeted the major portion of its annual appropriation to the *Amicus Curiae*, Van Vleck Case Club, Student Patent Law Association, and Legal Aid. All these organizations are of professional value to the law student. All are worthy of even greater student participation. The time spent preparing and arguing a Van Vleck case may be considerable, but the experience gained will be invaluable in later practice. From my own experience, I know that potential employers are impressed with student participation in worthy extra-curricular activities.

Although the dates of the SBA elections have not been set by the Board of Governors, they will probably take place in late April. At that time the students will select a President, Secretary, Treasurer, Book Exchange Manager, Book Exchange Treasurer, Day and Night Vice Presidents, and two Day and two Night School Representatives.

With the exception of the representatives from the day and night school, all of the persons in these positions are assigned specific duties by the SBA Constitution and By-Laws.

It has become increasingly difficult to find students interested in serving as chairmen of the more time demanding committees. In order to alleviate the problem, the Board of Governors feels that the answer to the problem is assigning the responsibility to the Day School Representatives. It is very likely that constitutional amendments will be submitted for the purpose of assigning such responsibilities. In this way, candidates for the office will run with the understanding that they will be responsible for compiling a student directory or for planning the Law Day observance agenda. Full details as to student elections will be posted on the bulletin board in the near future.

Delta Theta Phi

The annual Delta Theta Phi cocktail party for brothers and their guest will be held Apr. 4 at the New Senate Office Building.

Delta Theta Phi held its second professional meeting of the Spring Semester on Mar. 6 at the National Lawyers Club. James Mc I. Henderson, General Counsel for the FTC and National Treasurer of the Federal Bar Association spoke on "How to Succeed in Government."

On Mar. 13, DTP held a joint professional meeting with District of Columbia DTP alumni at the National Lawyers Club. The speaker for the evening was Representative J. J. Pickel (D-Tex.). Several other Congressmen were in attendance as were many practicing lawyers from the D. C. area.

Phi Delta Alpha

John Jay Chapter of PAD will present its third professional meeting of the Spring Semester on Apr. 3 at the National Lawyers Club. Mr. Lawrence Speiser will discuss, "Are the Courts Handcuffing the Police?"

The program should be of interest to those concerned with the criminal features of the law, particularly those interested in the Mallory Rule and its various ramifications.

At the second professional meeting on Feb. 28, Prof. Louis H. Mayo, Dean of the Graduate School of Public Law, addressed the brothers and their guests on "The Changing Relationships Between the Legislative and Executive Branches of the Federal Government."

The Annual District XII Conclave of PAD was held at the Park Arlington Motel, Mar. 6 to 8. The extensive preparation by Taft Chapter of Georgetown, Conclave host, assisted by Jay Brother Marty Freeman, resulted in a rewarding weekend for all who attended.

Phi Delta Phi

On March 22nd, the Phi Delta Phi chapter-petitioner at American University will sponsor a buffet-dance at the 1789 Club, 1223 - 36th St., N.W., from 5 to 8 p.m. to which all GWU students are invited. The price will be \$1.00.

The Barrister's Ball, a gala affair with orchestra and refreshments provided, will conclude the rushing program for John Marshall Inn. The dance will be on Apr. 4 from 9 p.m. to midnight at the Marriott Key Bridge Motel. All unaffiliates are cordially invited.

Mr. William L. Greene, successful plaintiff in *Greene vs. McElroy* and *Greene vs. U.S.*, was the speaker at a PDP luncheon at Gusti's Restaurant on Mar. 16.

Law Wives Slate Election Luncheon

On Apr. 11, the GWU Law Wives Club will have a luncheon meeting at the Syriana, 1214 Connecticut Ave., N.W., at which the election and installation of officers will take place. The price for the luncheon, a Middle Eastern buffet, will be \$2.50.

All potential and active members are reminded that on Apr. 20 and 27, Prof. Sullivan will conduct two lectures on "Criminal Problems of the Law." The lectures begin at 8:30 p.m. and are held in the Alumni Lounge in Bacon Hall, 20th and H Sts., N.W.

Welcome ALSA!

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From the Minutes Of the SBA Sec'y

Since taking office the 1963-64 SBA Board of Governors has held ten official meetings. One of the first items of business was the appointment of Gomer Walters as Student Council Representative, John Stokes as ALSA Representative, and Bob Oswald as Legal Aid Chairman. These appointees are members of the Board with full voting power.

Under the leadership of Dick Gimer, the SBA conducted a Freshman Orientation program characterized by innovations, including a reception at the National Lawyers Club. The SBA was also instrumental in securing a coin-operated reproduction machine for the Library. The machine will remain on a trial basis through the Spring Semester examinations, at which time possible means of obtaining a less expensive method of duplicating will be considered.

John Stohlton, SBA President, Don Rowe, Editor of *Amicus Curiae*, and Eric Youngquist joined with representatives of other Washington area law schools in planning the ALSA Joint Circuit Conference. An appropriation of \$100 was made for this conference.

An appropriation of \$30 has been allocated to the GWU Law Wives Club for a coffee urn that will be maintained by the Club and available to all Law School organizations.

Current projects being carried out by the SBA include a Law Day luncheon, a Law School dance, and a car-pool locator.

Douglas Olson, Sec'y

ALSA—Continued

school in the nation. There are 135 member associations in as many law schools, representing over 40,000 law students. From a total financing of less than \$10,000 annually, the Association has become approximately a \$100,000 annual operation.

The value of the Association to law students becomes apparent when one examines the list of ALSA publications. Besides the *Student Lawyer Journal*, which now has a circulation of over 42,000 copies per issue, ALSA has published *Your Future and the Law* and pamphlets on law school examination writing techniques, on the problems of the first year of law practice, on law placement, on careers in criminal defense work, and on trial techniques. Handbooks on law school newspapers, medico-legal programming, and trial moot court organizations; an annual booklet on Federal Government Job Opportunities for Young Attorneys and others dealing with such areas as legal aid and defender services, pre-law recruitment and club management, law day observances, law school honor systems, and student bar financing procedures; as well as diverse publications on the operation of an honor court, the law student in international law, and a techno-legal bibliography are included within ALSA's scope.

Other services provided by ALSA for members include special low-cost rates for the ABA's *Lawyers Handbook*, a Law Student Information Service, student loans made available through the Guaranty Loan Fund Program, distribution to beginning law students of individual copies of the *Canons of Professional Ethics*, a life insurance program, and eligibility to utilize the ABA's Lawyer Placement Information Service.

GW Succumbs To Wiles Of Female Law Students

by Karella Ann Gumpert

"Women lawyers are too emotional!—or, if not that, then they're too cold-blooded." This was the reaction of one first-year law student some months ago, when he was faced with the prospect of attending classes with *GURRILES*. Probably, this is the secret reaction of many of the male law students at GWU, no matter what their class.

Nevertheless, it looks as though the women are here to stay. Perhaps the best thing to do is to "grin and bear" them, or better still, to learn a little about them, for the 50-or-so women law students at GWU are interesting, and come from a variety of backgrounds.

For instance, there are four young women from Indonesia studying at GWU Law School. These young ladies are all employed by their national government, and have been granted a year's leave of absence for legal study in the United States. Women from such scattered localities as Providence, Rhode Island, Memphis, Tennessee, Brainerd, Minnesota, and Fairbanks, Alaska are also represented on the student body. Although the majority of "home towns" is in the East (twenty), there is a large contingent from the South (eight) and from the Midwest (seven). New York City alone boasts of seven native daughters at the GWU Law School, while D. C. has five.

As for activities, women law students keep a busy schedule. About 26 of them are employed, only five of whom work less than 35 hours per week. Yet most of these ladies carry at least eight credit hours. And, of the eleven legal sorority members, who belong to Kappa Beta Pi or to Phi Delta Delta, only four are unemployed. The ladies, moreover, are about evenly distributed between the day and evening sessions.

Male readers might also be interested in the average age of their female counterparts, as well as in their marital status. Although their ages range from twenty-one (for two girls) to about 21 and 30 for one, more than three-fifths of the women are in their twenties and more than one-half are in their thirties. Since only seventeen are married, our first-year reactionary will have plenty of food for a theory that women are here for husbands.

However, in light of the fact that many of the girls majored in under-graduate school and that several (seven) of them have masters' degrees, in addition to three who already have their L.L.B.'s, male students must admit that, whatever their extra-curricular aims, the girls at GWU Law School are here primarily for education.

The Association is also active in the international field. The ALSA has commenced an international correspondence exchange program with law students from other nations, and published a booklet on *International Law and the Law Student*. It also has established a liaison with law student groups in Europe, Canada, Mexico, prepared an *International Directory of Law Schools*, commenced a bibliography of materials on legal education throughout the world, and developed an International Law Moot Court Program.

The Association's brief history is marked by rapid expansion and constant progress; the potential of the ALSA as a growing force in the legal profession would appear to be great.

Sitting Service Solves Student Social Situation

Law students are faced with a pressing social problem. The unmarried student seeks refuge from his books with a Saturday night date, but, due to his limited financial resources, he is generally in want of things to do. The married student, burdened with children, is constantly in search of a competent baby sitter.

The Law School Baby Sitting Society provides an equitable solution to this conflict. All students and their sponsored friends are eligible to participate in the benefits of this newly organized activity upon the payment of a small membership fee. If you have ever searched frantically for a competent baby sitter, you need do so no longer.

Call Morton Kimmel, Melvyn Monzack, or Stephen Kline at 234-5859 for further information.

Dean's Reception

A Dean's Reception for all students will be held at Lisner Lounge on Wednesday, Apr. 8 from 4-6 p.m. Refreshments will be provided.

HU Sponsors 2-Day Meet On UC Code

by Ron Ockey

GWU law students have been invited to attend a two-day symposium on the Uniform Commercial Code, sponsored by Howard University School of Law and the Federal Bar Association.

Meetings will be held Apr. 10 at Howard University School of Law, 6th St. and Howard Pl., N.W., and on Apr. 11, 1964 at the National Lawyers Club, 1815 H Street, N.W. Brochures listing times and agenda for all sessions are available in the Dean of Student's Office.

The purpose of the two-day symposium is to introduce the legal profession and others affected by the Uniform Commercial Code to its provisions. It is being held at a timely moment, inasmuch as the Code has been passed into law by Congress and will be effective in the District of Columbia on Jan. 1, 1965. It is already in effect in Maryland, and will be introduced into Virginia in the near future.

There will be a registration fee of \$12.00, which will include lunches and coffee on both days, and printed copies of the proceedings to be published in the winter 1964 issue of *Howard Law Journal*. However, Prof. Egon Guttman, Howard University School of Law, has announced that admission to all sessions and coffees will be free to law students. A small charge will be made for mimeographed symposium materials requested by the students.

Library Gets Self-Service Photo Copier

Law students are now able to obtain information from the Law School Library without laborious hand-copying of reference material.

During the month of January, the SBA and the Law School administration completed arrangements with Leet Copymatic, Inc. for placing a Docustat Self-Service Copying Machine in the library.

The unit produces white-on-black prints, and will copy material up to 10 by 14 inches. All copies are 8½x11 inches, regardless of the size of the original material. The charge for each page is 25 cents.

Mr. Hugh Y. Bernard, law librarian, reports that the agreement with the Leet company capped a long search by the Law School and the SBA to obtain adequate copying facilities at the lowest available price. The present arrangement, however, is a temporary one to determine if student use of the machine will justify its continued rental.

Demands placed on the library's manually-operated Verifax copier had increased, especially at examination time, to a point where it was no longer possible for the library staff to meet all requests. Future use of the Verifax machine will be restricted to the needs of the school and faculty.

It was noted that while the charge for the Docustat copies is about twice the amount the library has been charging students for Verifax copies, it is the lowest available price for a self-service machine. Mr. Bernard suggested that students team up in using copies to reduce the cost to each individual.

(BAR EXAMS—Continued)

Virginia bar exams are given in December and July. Any applicant, 21 years of age and a resident of the state for six months preceding the date of the examination, may file an application after having completed the two-thirds of the work required or graduation from an approved law school. A registration fee of \$35 must also accompany the registration application.

What subject matter is included on bar exams? Are the types of questions substantially different from those encountered by the student in law school? A survey of the three area bar exams shows that each exam is extremely comprehensive. In any state the bar exam will most likely cover most areas of the substantive and procedural areas of the law with some exceptions peculiar to the area.

Maryland omits income tax questions; real property and contracts constitute over 25 percent of the exam.

The D. C. bar exam consists of 60 questions covering all areas of the law. Applicants who successfully complete the written examination are also interviewed by a group of examiners.

The Virginia Bar Exam covers the following subject areas: ethics, pleading and practice, conflicts, evidence, Federal practice, equity, contracts, personal property, real property, sales, insurance, wills, and domestic relations.

The type of question can be best illustrated by examining the number of questions and time allotted relation. For example, the Maryland exam covers 16 subjects with 60 questions in 4 three-

D. C. Bar Assocn. Honors Legal Aid

Twenty-seven students have participated in the Legal Aid program during the 1963-64 academic year. Seven have completed the program. A majority of the remaining twenty will complete it by next May. Those students who do complete the program will be awarded certificates by the D.C. Bar Association at its monthly buffet-luncheon in May.

Miss Joyce Capps, Chairman of the city-wide program for the local Bar, said that the scheduling of the presentation in conjunction with the luncheon manifests the significance that the local Bar Association attaches to the student Legal Aid program.

Legal aid at GWU consists of rendering assistance to members of the D. C. Bar, engaged in the private practice of law, who are assigned by the courts to defend indigents in criminal proceedings.

As a condition precedent for student participation, one must have completed a course in criminal law. In addition, the Bar Association recommends that a prospective participant also have a working knowledge of criminal and civil procedure as well as of the rules of evidence.

However, freshmen students are encouraged to participate in the preparation of pre-sentencing reports compiled by the Legal Aid Agency, which is located at the U.S. Court House, Constitution Avenue and John Marshall Place, N.W.

For further information vis-avis presentencing reports, call Gary Bello at the Legal Aid Agency, ST 3-5700. For additional information about GWU Legal Aid, see Mel Bander in the Library or call Bob Oswald at NA 8-7460, Ext. 353.

hour sessions, i.e. 12 minutes per question. The questions generally call for a clear succinct answer; no theory other than that necessary to substantiate the answer is wanted. Obviously a comprehensive essay-type answer would not suffice. If the exam in a student's state is similar to Maryland's, he must necessarily be well aware of rules in each subject area likely to be stressed. The 60-question D. C. exam is given over three days for six hours each day. These examples also emphasize the need for enrolling in a bar review school.

Three general types of bar reviews are usually available. One is the type where review notes are supplied to the student and the review is entirely on his part. This is particularly useful to GWU students reviewing during the last semester of classes as University regulations limit students taking reviews to ten semester hours in day school and ten in evening school. An example of the "note type" is "Woodbridge's Notes" for the Virginia exam, which were prepared by a former University of Virginia Law School professor. The second type consists of a short recent case review usually lasting about a month, that covers outstanding cases in each subject area peculiar to the bar exam.

The third type is an extensive course lasting two months and including notes, outlines, lectures about and practice in bar exams. The R. C. Siskind and Ginsberg schools (Md.) and the Joseph Neerelli (D.C.) School offer both types of course. The average cost of the former is \$100-125; of the latter, \$50-75.